

IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) An RJ-type connector for connecting a cable having at least one wire to an RJ-type jack, comprising:
 - a shell having a hollow interior, an open end and a substantially closed end;
 - at least one feed-through hole passing from the open end of the shell longitudinally through the shell to the closed end of the shell, creating an opening for a wire;
 - at least one conductive attachment element disposed adjacent to such feed-through hole;
 - the conductive attachment element further comprising a cutting leg wherein, upon crimping, the cutting leg [cutting] severs the wire passing through said feed-through hole to an appropriate length and creates an electrical connection between the wire and the conductive attachment element.
2. (Original) The RJ-type connector as set forth in claim 1 further comprising a plurality of feed-through holes passing from the open end of the shell longitudinally through the shell to the closed end of the shell, each hole creating an opening for a wire.
3. (Original) The RJ-type connector as set forth in claim 2 wherein the feed-through holes are substantially parallel and in the same plane.
4. (Original) The RJ-type connector as set forth in claim 2 wherein the feed-through holes are substantially parallel and in more than one plane.

5. (Original) The RJ-type connector as set forth in claim 1 wherein each of the at least one feed-through holes is D-shaped.

6. (Original) The RJ-type connector as set forth in claim 1 wherein each of the at least one feed-through holes is designed to accept insulated wires.

7. (Original) The RJ-type connector as set forth in claim 1 wherein each of the at least one feed-through holes is designed to accept stripped wires.

8. (Currently Amended) A method for electrically and mechanically connecting an RJ-type connector with a wire, the method comprising the steps of:

providing a shell having a hollow interior, an open end and a substantially closed end;
creating at least one feed-through hole passing from the open end of the shell longitudinally through the shell to the closed end of the shell;
providing a conductive attachment element disposed adjacent to each feed-through hole, the conductive attachment element further comprising a cutting leg;
threading a wire through each at least one feed-through hole;
crimping the shell such that the cutting leg [cuts] severs the wire to an appropriate length and creates an electrical connection between the wire and the conductive attachment element.

9. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 8 wherein a plurality of feed-through holes passing from the open end of the shell longitudinally through the shell to the closed end of the shell is created.

10. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 9 wherein the feed-through holes are substantially parallel and in the same plane.

11. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 9 wherein the feed-through holes are substantially parallel and in more than one plane.

12. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 8 wherein each of the at least one feed-through holes is D-shaped.

13. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 8 wherein each of the at least one the feed-through holes is designed to accept insulated wires.

14. (Original) The method as set forth in claim 8 wherein each of the at least one feed-through holes is designed to accept stripped wires.